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一世を轟かせたあの作家が帰ってきた!

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イベント上映開始!!  
2月4日より

魔法使いの嫁

ヤマザキコレ





Well, I suppose the second was an unexpected windfall anyway, so I can just write it off like it never happened.

I didn't think I'd run away! I shouldn't have put it up for sale in the first place!



...Damn it.



Now, what to do with the leftovers?



I just hope my new arm sticks this time...

# 魔法使いの嫁

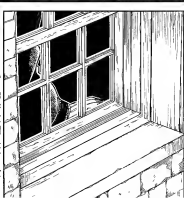
The Ancient Magus' Bridge

水面に揺蕩う逡巡。

『星待つひと中篇』二月十八日まで劇場にてイベント上映中！

You can't make an omelet  
without breaking a few eggs.

ヤマザキ コレ  
YAMAZAKI KORE





—Thank you,  
Mrs. Helena.



—Yes,  
m'a'am.

What a pretty  
cloak that is.  
Are you out  
on a walk?



See you  
again some  
other time.

Oh, that's  
right. Remem-  
ber the tea  
and medicine  
you gave me  
last time?  
It's done  
wonders  
for this old  
woman's aches  
and pains.  
Thank you  
so much,  
dear.



The only  
place the  
outdoor of the  
hill.

Mrs.  
Helena?

How is  
your pillow  
holding up?

Oh, you can  
tell it's good  
because I'm up  
and about at  
this time of  
the morning.



Oh, hello  
there.





# 魔法使いの嫁

The Wizard's Bride



I think  
you'd be  
really good  
at it.

humans wear  
all sorts of  
clothes when the  
winter comes,  
don't they?  
maybe I should  
own that a toy.

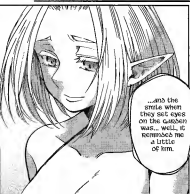


well.

I admit,  
it's a little  
cold.



...one of  
his relatives  
snapped by  
a while ago.



...and the  
smile when  
they set eyes  
on the garden  
was... well, it  
reminded me  
a little  
of him.



it looks  
like now  
the house  
is up for  
sale...

but maybe  
they'll end  
up just  
living here,  
instead.

**SALE**





hmm.

I, umm.  
Messed up  
a little...

what  
happened  
to your  
arm?



That's  
good.



?



here,  
i'll kiss it  
better!



...Thanks.



I've seen humans  
so nice for their  
little ones when  
they're not well.



I like the  
air outside  
more than being  
cooped up  
indoors.

It feels  
so somber  
at home, like  
a funeral.



Are  
you all  
right?

When.







You hurting  
anywhere?  
Feeling weird?

No...

(It doesn't.)



We couldn't  
take you to a  
human hospital,  
and the arthril  
was a little...  
well, yeah.

So we  
settled for  
treating you  
at your  
own home.

Can you  
get up?

Y-yes...



Yup.

Hey,  
shadow!

It's like...  
like it's  
barely being  
kept from  
bursting.

It's been  
treated and  
bound to at  
least look  
like a human  
arm.  
It might  
ache a little,  
but don't  
pick at the  
bandages.



Wow.



Angelica...



What a wimp.

He got pushed out of the way...

and he came back telling me you were involved...

I told Hugo to go scope out what that huge commotion was,











Yes. I know  
you don't.

I don't  
think I do.



well,  
then.



...Lindel?

Sorry  
I can only  
talk over  
the mirror.

Chise...  
First of all,  
my thanks  
for finding  
one of the  
whelps.



shame  
on you all,  
you know I'm  
rueful at  
explaining  
things.



I did it  
because I  
wanted to,  
and because  
I could.

this is all  
due to my  
negligence.  
I'm sorry.  
that arm  
of yours...  
it looks like  
you paid the  
price for  
my foolish-  
ness.



That's the  
problem.



*You've  
fallen under  
a dragon's  
curse.*



...A curse?



It's in the air, in the blood. It's power, pure and simple.

It's power, all right, but it's not meant to control magic.

Calling it magical power is a bit of a misnomer.



or convert it into energy to strengthen their bodies, or even force them into shapes from times gone by.

Dragons use it to share memories with their own kind.



In the old times, they say that eating a dragon's heart would give a man great wisdom, and the ability to speak with animals.

As a consequence, their forms are imbued with different kinds of power.



She had madness coursing through her body. Fear, anger, pain.

The whip you found...



you know that dragons can manipulate magical power, right?

Mmm.



so did you  
draw those  
emotions into  
yourself.

And like the  
champions  
of legend  
imbibed the  
blood of  
dragons.



A human body  
couldn't possi-  
bly process it  
all. Sooner or  
later, your body  
will break down.

They gnawed  
at your body,  
burrowing in  
and spreading  
their curse.



...How  
much time  
do I have  
left?











This arm is...  
It's proof.

Proof that  
I was able  
to think of  
someone else  
other than  
myself.

Please,  
don't apo-  
logize.

I won't  
ask you  
to forgive  
me.

...I'm  
sorry.



In fact,  
I want to  
thank  
you.



Elias hasn't  
left his room  
since then.

Even when  
I called for  
him, he didn't  
reply.









Chise...



and  
tell me,  
"Let's go  
home."

You always  
hold your hand  
out to me,



You're always  
trying to head  
off somewhere  
on your own.

*But  
then,*

*you run  
off ahead  
by yourself,  
never looking  
back at me.*



Do you believe me  
when I say you had  
three years left?  
Did you believe Lindt?  
Even that time was  
too short, and now...  
You're too reckless.

...It's not  
like I'm dying  
tomorrow or  
anything.





That things will  
always burn out  
all right in the end  
and what it comes  
to you.

tells itself  
that you've  
always been part of  
my home, and  
believes you  
always will be.

Some  
part of me,  
even now,



You push  
yourself too far,  
and I stop you.  
That's how things  
should have been,  
but I never could  
stop you in time.

I knew this  
kind of thing  
happened to the  
right's beloved  
children sooner  
or later, but I  
didn't think  
about it.



...How could  
I have been  
so blindly  
optimistic,  
so compla-  
cent?



And now  
we're like this,  
and all it took  
was living  
together.

In the beginning,  
we were just  
using each other  
for our own  
purposes.

...What  
is?



...It's  
strange.



*...I used to think  
I didn't want to  
live anymore.*



I thought to  
myself that  
no matter what  
might happen,  
the end was  
in sight.

In Ulthar,  
when I heard  
that there was  
a defined limit  
to my life,  
I was glad.



I hoped  
that whoever  
bought me  
would have need  
of me... and that  
once they were  
done, I hoped,  
they would  
kill me.

I learned that  
I was valuable,  
and so I sold  
myself.



I started  
to think of  
all the things  
I wanted to do  
while I was  
here.

Instead of  
hoping that  
I could merely  
find acceptance  
from someone,



I learned that  
even I could  
earn words  
of thanks.

Then you, and  
Angelica, and  
so many others,  
all helped me  
so much.

# 魔法使いの嫁

The Eldest Magus Bride



I don't know.



I don't know, Elias.  
To be honest, what I did this time, I did just because I could.



Is that what you think?

That you have to earn the right to be here by sacrificing... by destroying yourself?



It's just like how you worry about yourself, Elias. We don't know ourselves, either.

REALLY?

I'm not lying. There's things that people don't know about themselves. That I don't know about myself.

Actually, I'm pretty sure that humans understand themselves least out of everything.



I think that  
sometimes her  
body moves on  
its own before  
her brain can  
catch up to  
it.

You said it  
yourself.  
Your puppy  
is very silly,  
remember?



Elios?

...Would you  
help me with  
something?



...Would you  
help me think  
of a way for  
us to stay  
together?



*Just be sure  
not to leave  
me behind  
this time.*

But I can  
walk with  
you to make  
sure you  
don't go  
astray.

I can't  
sprint off  
without  
thinking like  
you can.



We could  
suppress the  
symptoms with  
artifacts.

but that  
would only  
delay the  
inevitable.





Doesn't look like your shadow would like that, and you don't want it either.

...I'll think about it.



This isn't the age of myth. Magic and wizardry don't have the power to save you like in the old stories.

and the unique properties of your body certainly don't help things.

I've never heard of a dragon's curse being lifted,



Honestly, the best answer would be for you to live over there, but then you'd end up losing your humanity anyway...

I'll look into it when I get back to the other side, too.

I'll ask everyone I know for help.



My arm's already done a lot of changing.

And I've already had some experience with being an animal.



Really?

You know what happened to Shanahan, right? Your form, or even your personality, might end up changing entirely.



*I have to Find...*

*the way forward...*



Thank you,  
dear. So this  
is the place?



Hello?

I'm looking for  
a red-headed  
young lady.